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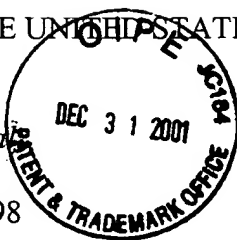
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Jinhua Xiang *et al*

Serial No.: 09/828,498

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Applicants respectfully request that the listed documents be made of record in the present case.

Respectfully submitted,



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Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced patent application is a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, Form PTO-1449, and references (A5-A10).

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